

(ii) On the sad demise of Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar (Minister for Public Health): "This House places on record its deep sense of sorrow on the sad demise of Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese who was for some time the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer and an official member of this House.

Mr. President, Sir, It is my painful duty today to express the deep sense of grief felt by this House on the sad demise of Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese, who was a distinguished doctor and for some time a prominent member of this Council on the Treasury Bench. As a Doctor, particularly on the surgical side, he was second to none when he was in the field. As a member of the Legislative Council also he was an exemplary parliamentarian. Cochin had the good fortune of having the services of this distinguished Doctor for a few years as her Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer. During his administration, the Medical and Sanitary Departments had striking progress. After retirement, Dr. Verghese was running a nursing home in his native place at Tiruvella for the benefit of ailing public and thus serving a humanitarian cause. His loss is an irreparable one. May his soul rest in peace!

Mr. President: I associate myself with the sentiments expressed on the demise of Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese. I commend the motion to the acceptance of the House.

Motion was passed, all Hon'ble Members standing

(iii) On the sad demise of Dr. Kolatheri Sankara Menon

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar (Minister for Public Health): Mr. President, Sir, I am again on my foot to move another painful resolution on the demise of Dr. Kolatheri Sankara Menon. "This House places on record its deep sense of sorrow on the sad demise of Dr. Kolatheri Sankara Menon, who was for some time an elected member of this House".

Dr. Sankara Menon and some members of this Council had to sit together on the non-official side. Dr. Menon was an eminent Ayurvedic Physician. He was serving as Director of Ayurveda in the sister State of Travancore for a long time. He was not merely a celebrated Ayurvedic Physician, but he was a distinguished scholar as well. After retirement, he was having private practice at Ernakulam. His sudden demise is a great loss to the State and to the Ayurveda Culture.

May his soul rest in peace!

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (Vadakkancheri): Mr. President, I associate myself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon'ble Mover. Dr. Sankara Menon's services as an Ayurvedic Director any Government should feel proud to have, but unfortunately his services we could not have. We had the benefit of his distinguished services after his retirement not only in the field of Ayurveda but also in the deliberations of this House. I still remember the way in which he used to tackle any proposition in the proper perspective laying the emphasis where it ought to be laid. A scholar an eminent scholar not only in the science of Ayurveda but in other matters also and the soft manner he possessed. He I believe Sir, was a man fit to be emulated by any one who wants to live a noble life. It is the loss of such a distinguished son of Cochin and an expert of this House that we are bemoaning to-day. I agree with the Hon'ble Mover praying the Almighty that Mr. Sankara Menon's soul may rest in peace!

ചെറുധരി ജി. എസ്സ്. ധാരാസിംഗ്: സർ, പരേതനായ ഡാക്ടർ കൊളാത്തരി ശങ്കരമനോൻ അവർകളുടെ അപഭാഷണങ്ങളെക്കുറിച്ചു ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട പബ്ലിക് ഹെൽത്ത് മന്ത്രിയും വടക്കാഞ്ചേരി മെമ്പർ അവർകളും പറഞ്ഞതിനോടു ഞാൻ യോജിക്കുന്നു. അദ്ദേഹവുമായി നേരിട്ടു പരിചയപ്പെട്ടവൻ എനിക്ക് അടുത്തകാലത്താണ് സാധിച്ചതെങ്കിലും, അദ്ദേഹം എന്റെ പിതാവിന്റെ ഒരു ആത്മസുഹൃത്തായിരുന്നുവെന്നുള്ളതു്, അദ്ദേഹമായി പരിചയപ്പെട്ടതിനു ശേഷമാണ് എനിക്ക് മനസ്സിലായത്. ഈ കൌൺസിലിലെ ഒരു മെമ്പർ എന്ന നിലയിലാണ്, അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ നിയുക്തിയിൽ ഇപ്പോൾ അനുശോചനം രേഖപ്പെടുത്തുന്നതെങ്കിലും, വാസ്തവത്തിൽ അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ പരമം കൊച്ചിരാജ്യത്തിനാകമാനം തന്നെ വിലയോടെ നഷ്ടമാണ്. അദ്ദേഹം ഒരു ആയുർവ്വേദചാര്യനായിരുന്നു. അതിനുംപുറമെ അദ്ദേഹം മറ്റു പല തുറകളിലും അഗാധമായ പാണ്ഡിത്യം നേടിയ ഒരു മഹാനായിരുന്നുവെന്നുള്ളതിന് ദൃഷ്ടാന്തമായി എം. എം. എൽ. ടി. യും, പി. എച്ച്. ഡിയും അയിരുന്നുവെന്നുള്ളതു കൊണ്ട് മനസ്സിലാക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കും. അദ്ദേഹത്തിന് യാതൊരു സുഖക്കേടും ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നില്ലെന്നതന്നെയല്ല; കാഴ്ചയിൽ അനോഗ്രഹസ്ഥനായിരുന്നു.